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SUBJECT : General - Administration/Command Structure

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Specific - Relationship of Security Personnel at
to Base Commander

REFERENCE: SAPC 1617/G (Revised), 21 February 1956

1. In order to clarify command relationships at [REDACTED] especially in those areas affecting the general security of the installation, and because certain problems have arisen out of the absence of definite instructions to the Base and Detachment Commanders on the question of respective security responsibilities, the following principles are set forth as standard operating practice, effective immediately:

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a. Because there exists no internal security requirement for the Detachment while it is in place at [REDACTED], and in view of the infeasibility of assigning separate security forces to [REDACTED] and to each Detachment, it is therefore established that Detachment security personnel will fall within the operational control of the Base Commander, in order to insure the latter is able to discharge his responsibility for the physical security of the installation. On matters having to do with the general security of [REDACTED], the clearance status of all personnel employed or visiting there, the Senior Security Officer will respond to the Base Commander as the latter directs.

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b. However, there shall continue to reside with the Detachment Commander the following responsibilities for the security personnel of his command, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1.(a), above:

(1) The Detachment Commander shall have cognizance over recommendations for promotions of his security personnel, their reassignment or transfer within the Detachment, or within the Project when approved by Headquarters.

(2) The Detachment Commander shall be responsible for executing the Fitness Reports on his security personnel; he shall also report their Time and Attendance in the manner required of the remainder of his KUBARK personnel; and he shall be the sole authority for approving requests for leave of security officers in his

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command.

(3) During the conduct of future USCMs, should there be levied upon the Detachment special security requirements taking immediate precedence over station security responsibilities, the Detachment Commander will notify the Base Commander of the existence of the special requirement, and the latter will immediately seek augmentation of the security complement, making use of TTH security personnel from Headquarters to the extent necessary to permit the discharge of both Detachment and Base security responsibilities.

2. It is obvious that the effective operation of a security program featuring dual responsibilities in the nature of those specified above requires the utmost in timely coordination and understanding between the Detachment and Base Commanders, as well as the thoughtful cooperation of the Senior Security Officer and all personnel under his immediate control.

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